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SUBJECT: Director of Central Intelligence FY-86 Resources

for Computer Security.

The Director of Central Intelligence (DCI) initiated a computer security enhancement program in 1983. aspect of this multifaceted program is the allocation of intelligence community funds to various organizations. These funds are earmarked for the improvement of the security posture of computer systems used to process foreign intelligence data.

As reflected in the attachment to this memorandum, and two additional staff positions have been allocated to the Department by the program for FY-86. These resources would be most effectively utilized, by the Bureau of Administration, by being incorporated into the ongoing Information Systems Security Staff (A/ISS) effort. A/ISS is charged with the responsibility for computer security for the entire Department. Under the present DCI plan, the resources are designated for use by the Bureau for Intelligence and Research (INR). I would like the resources to be redirected to the Bureau of Administration.

In 1983, the DCI identified a need for the Department to enhance computer security in INR. Late in the FY-85 budget cycle, the DCI recommended that made available to the Department for this purpose. Due to the lateness of the recommendation, the Department was not able to incorporate the resources into the budget submission and the funds could not be secured.

The redirection of these resources to A/ISS would maximize their impact and assure that the Department maintains a consistent, coordinated and integrated approach to computer security.

Attachment:

As Stated.

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